

## SPORTING NEWS

## CAPTAIN BLACK OF YALE ONE OF THE BEST GUARDS THIS SEASON



Photo by American Press Association.

Football experts who have watched the Yale eleven play in practice and the early games are of the opinion that the blue team will capture this year's championship. Captain Black, who has put on considerable weight since last season, has been putting up a strong game at left guard. According to critics at New Haven, he should be the best guard in the east this year.

## CLUBS TO CUT EXPENSES.

Baseball Players' Salaries to Feel the Ax Next Season.

No one likes to be under fire, but some of the farseeing baseball men are frank enough to admit that the criticism of certain features of the recent world's championship games, while rather severe, will help to bring about some much needed baseball reforms.

For one thing, it is almost certain now that there will be a general cutting down of salaries this winter. The mercenary spirit the players showed in the world's series, when they made thinly veiled charges that the national commission and the club owners were not giving them a square deal on the ticket sale, served to crystallize sentiment for a reduction all along the line. It will be a hard blow for the athletes, but it was sure to come.

As one club owner put it recently: "The ball players are letting money madness carry them away. Of course they are in the game for money, but there was a time when they appeared to make it a secondary consideration and showed some love for the sport itself."

"But big purses and big money in every department of the game have tended to ruin the spirit of the players, just as it has got the best of some of the club owners. It has simply got to be stopped."

Every one wants to see the players get their share. The players in the world's series probably thought they had a just complaint, but they chose a bad time to make a complaint on money matters when every move of the series was being closely watched. Their charges left a bad odor to the series.

But the incident merely served to crystallize sentiment. The club owners have been set on reducing salaries. They merely wanted an excuse, and the world's series incident suited to put the plan in motion.

As a matter of fact, baseball is in a condition that frequently exists in the stock market. Its values are highly inflated. Particularly the salary lists are too big, for while one or two clubs in each league can make money the others must go on losing from year to year. The magnates must squeeze some of the water out of their stocks, as it were.

Baseball for the past year has been living down the evils created by the Federal league. In the two years' fight against the Feds club owners went far out of bounds in money matters. They were forced to create a false standard of values. They not only paid enormous salaries, but they paid too high prices for players, and the whole scheme will have to be adjusted before the game gets back to a normal setting.

There are a few ball players who are worth \$10,000 or \$15,000 a year, but you can count them on the fingers of your two hands. To be worth that much a player must have strong enough personality to be a drawing card at the gate in addition to being a good player.

There are not many such players. A lot of high class players have little drawing power. A lot of them are getting more money than they ever bring in at the gate, and in the last analysis they must be paid according to the gate receipts.

Minnesota Has Great Footballer. Among the Minnesota recruits is an eighteen-year-old freshman who measures six foot one from tip to tip and weighs 241, while at Northwestern the coaches are glorying in the return of Babe Smith, last year's 250 pound center.

## WOMAN FOOTBALL COACH.

Mrs. E. Brannon Handling Jonesboro Team—Makes Good Too.

There is only one college in the country having a woman for a full fledged football coach. She is Mrs. Earl W. Brannon, wife of the coach of the Jonesboro Agricultural college football team. Mrs. Brannon had been assisting her husband, but this year she is coaching a team of her own. She has full charge of the Aggie prep team and is the sole guide and board of strategy of the eleven.

Here is what her husband says of her. "She broke in" as a scout when I sent her to scout some formation of prospective rivals in their early season games. She showed me that she knew "inside football" as well as any of my assistants.

"Last season she helped to plan our offense and defense for every game."



Photo by American Press Association.

Mrs. E. W. BRANNON, ONLY WOMAN FOOTBALL COACH.

and showed an uncanny ability in picking the weak places in formations, shifts and plays.

"Her ideas are very clearly defined as to style of game. It is needless to say that while her style is very much the same as that used by me, nevertheless she has distinctiveness in many departments of the sport."

"Her training has been sufficient for the work. She attended the Lincoln (Neb.) high school and the University of Nebraska. She was a very keen and enthusiastic student of the game, being fond of all athletic sports."

"She weighs only 115 pounds and is not the masculine type at all. Strange as it may seem, she does not believe in woman suffrage nor any of the other modern fads of the age."

## HORWEEN'S PLUNGE

## RESEMBLES HURDLE

Harvard Fullback's Specialty Closely Approaches Method of Locomotion that Is Prohibited.

As demonstrated against Cornell last Saturday, Bill Horween, the Harvard fullback, has developed a style of plunging, or rather rearing, that we class as hurdling, says "Daniel" in the New York Sun. It's not out and out hurdling, but a combination of hurdling and diving over the line after the manner made famous at Columbia in days of yore by Harold Weeks. Bill Langford of Trinity, one of the most efficient football officials in the country, refereed the game at Cambridge and passed Horween's method of locomotion as being within the law.

On some occasions Horween was within the wording of the rule, but on others he seemed guilty of hurdling even according to the strict interpretation of the definition. Rule 6, section 2, defines hurdling in the line as "jumping over or attempting to jump over a player on the line of scrimmage, with both feet or both knees foremost, within the distance of five yards on either side of the point where the ball was put in play." The penalty is fifteen yards.

Many were of the opinion that on a number of occasions Horween was hurdling and that the style might be in violation of the spirit if not the wording of the rule. At any rate it opens up an interesting topic and suggests that there might be a more explicit wording of the definition of hurdling.

For having attained such great efficiency in his specialty Horween deserves a word of credit, for it takes considerable vigor and gumption to go through with his "hurdling." He was finally forced to leave the game with an injured wrist.

If Horween found the Cornell line closed to progress he usually made a half dive and half hurdle over the first bulwark to find lodgment under the secondary defense. Several others among the Harvard backs, Hitehook in particular, also tried the Horween method, and there were evidences that all had been working to perfect the fullback's specialty.

## PLUMB OUT FOR

## REST OF SEASON

High School Team Must Work Hard if It Is to Be Effective Against Windsor Here Saturday.

Harry Plumb is out of football for the rest of the season. He was not in good shape for the game at Bellows Falls Saturday and his parents have forbidden further participation in the sport this season.

Coach Stalter shifted Nichols from end to the backfield and Manley from promoted from the substitutes to Nichols' place at left end. This reduces the number of possible substitutes for any position from three to two and means that no other member of the regular team can afford to get hurt or otherwise kept out of the game.

It is discouraging work to try to remake a team this week with only about half of the players present at practice yesterday afternoon. Justin Moran is pretty well used up as the result of his hard play in the game Saturday, but so far as the coach knows there was no excuse for the others not being present.

Windsor is to play here Saturday and it is known that the upstate boys have a strong team, which means that there must be hard practice this afternoon and tomorrow if the changed lineup is to be moulded into an effective machine in time for the game Saturday.

## THINK YALE WILL WIN.

Washington and Jefferson Officials Give Reasons for Opinion.

According to officials of the Washington & Jefferson team, Yale is likely to defeat both Harvard and Princeton. Coach Sol Metzger said in the "Yale News":

"The Yale team has improved greatly. The attack is strong and the defense powerful. Yale's only weakness against us was in the forward pass and that was probably more because Washington & Jefferson is unusually strong in that department of the game than because Yale is weak in breaking it up. I expect to see Yale put up a strong fight against Harvard and Princeton, with a strong probability of victory."

Manager Murphy said: "The Yale line is heavy and holds extremely well, the ends are above the average and the backfield shows power and speed. LeGore is a versatile player and is always dangerous. The team shows good interference, but is a trifle weak in punting and defense against the forward pass as Washington & Jefferson uses it. The team on the whole is 100 per cent stronger than when it faced us last year, and I do not see why it should not defeat both Harvard and Princeton this fall."

## Sporting Notes.

A brother of Albert C. Laird is a

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half back on the Colgate college team. He did not get into the game against the Springfield Y. M. C. A. college Saturday because of a bruised cartilage, but expects to get into the game against Yale. He will be remembered as one of the sensational backfield of Montpelier high which played Brattleboro here four years ago.

There was terrific mortality among clean scoring slates last Saturday, when Princeton, Brown and Cornell dropped from the list and left the field alone to Fordham. The Maroon is now the only eleven in the East which has not allowed a score of any kind. In addition to Fordham, Princeton, Brown and Muhlenberg are the only teams whose goal lines have not been crossed. Each has allowed only one field goal to be tallied against it. Harvard has permitted only one touchdown—by Tufts—while Yale has yielded a field goal to Carnegie Tech and two touchdowns to Washington and Jefferson.

Dartmouth, though defeated Saturday, excelled Princeton in gaining ground by straight rushing and forward passing. The Hanover eleven collected 133 yards by carrying the ball from scrimmage, and tried nineteen forward passes which netted 79 yards. The Tigers, on the other hand, gained only 75 yards by rushing, not including Driggs' run of 70 yards after intercepting a forward pass. They also secured 43 yards on four forward heaves. Dartmouth, therefore, covered a total of 212 yards by rushing and passing against 118 for the Tigers. In the average distance of punts the teams were equally matched. The Tigers excelled in running back kicks with 74 yards to 40. Dartmouth lost 70 yards in penalties, while Princeton gave up 50.

## PERSONAL.

Abbott Richmond has returned from a visit at Mrs. Amy Weeden's in Boston.

Miss Maude Glazier of Leverett, Mass., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Brackett.

Miss Addie and Miss Grace Morse spent the week-end with friends in Worcester, Mass.

Miss Marion Knight is having a vacation from her work in Houghton & Simonds' store.

Fred Shehay, manager of the Empire theater, went this morning to Boston for a few days on business.

Mrs. H. O. Coleman of Winhall and Mrs. Adia Coleman of Rawsonville spent Monday in town with friends.

Ticket Agent David S. Carey was in Gardner, Mass., today to attend the funeral of his wife's father, F. Murray. Herbert Brackett of Readsboro has come to town to spend the winter in the home of his brother, A. J. Brackett.

Dale Bogle has finished work for the American Express company and is working for J. E. Rogers, the plumber.

Data accompanying a recently published official map of North Dakota show that the state has \$60,000,000 set apart in land as a public school endowment.

## PERSONAL.

Miss Marjorie White has been ill at her home on High street several days. Mrs. Arthur W. Peach of Northfield (Vt.) is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Barrows.

Mrs. Grace Richardson of Williamsville is visiting in town with her cousin, Mrs. Harold Smith.

Miss Elvina Mallory, nurse in the Memorial hospital, was called to Keene this morning by the illness of her grandmother.

Mrs. Katherine Burchard has returned from Westminster, where she visited over Sunday with her cousin, Mrs. George G. Wright.

Miss Roselee Rochon went this morning to Springfield, Mass., where she will spend the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Edward Bassett.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tilton and Miss Freda Prince of Randolph and Mrs. Nims of Westmoreland were guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Phillips.

Mrs. Maria Johnson, who had been a patient in the Memorial hospital over a year, has left there and gone to the home of Walter Cudworth in Londonderry.

Mrs. Henry R. Brown will go tomorrow to Lowell, N. Y., to be present at a reception given to her daughter, Mrs. Raymond Richardson, by Mr. Richardson's aunt.

Miss Marion Sherman of Williamsville, who had been working temporarily in the People's National bank, has finished work there and taken a position in the Holstein-Friesian office.

Mrs. Alice McDonough of Jacksonville is visiting in town with her sister, Mrs. Lillian Coleman of South Main street. Mr. McDonough has taken a position with the S. A. Smith Mfg. Co., and they plan to move here soon.

Mrs. Caroline Chase, who is in her 92d year and recently underwent an operation for appendicitis in the Memorial hospital, has left there and gone to the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. John E. Coleman. Mrs. Chase is improving each day.

Mrs. Eleanor Richardson will close her home in West Brattleboro Saturday and will be a guest at E. C. Crosby's several days before going to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Joel Knapp in Dorchester, Mass. Mr. Crosby will accompany her to Dorchester next week.

Robert C. Knowlton was operated upon in the Memorial hospital yesterday afternoon for appendicitis by Dr. B. H. Wells of New York. Mr. Knowlton graduated from Norwich university with the rank of lieutenant last June and was engaged in recruiting duty for the Mexican service until a month ago.

Mrs. Allan D. Brown and daughter, Miss Helen Tyler Brown, returned last night from a five-months' visit in Denver, Col. They started for home four weeks ago, visiting in different places en route. Mrs. E. J. Sutherland of Huntington, Conn., Mrs. Brown's daughter, came last night to spend a few days here.

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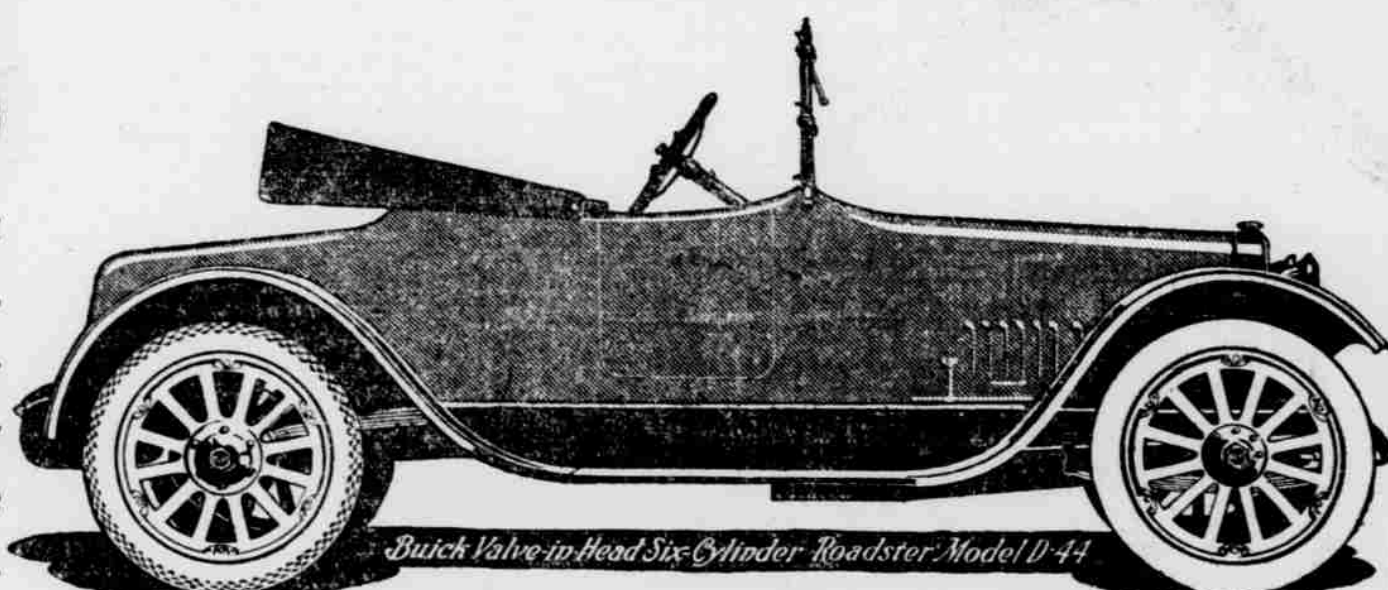
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